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Applicants: Peter Robert Baum and William Christian Fanslow III

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Examiner: Roark, J. H.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 23, 2003, Paper No. 15, please consider the Remarks/Arguments section.

The following documents are also being filed herewith:

- Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131, with Exhibit (8 pages)
- Petition for Extension of Time (plus copy)
- Information Disclosure Statement (plus copy)
- PTO form 1449

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's withdrawal of the election of species requirement.

Regarding the Examiner's statement in the Office action at Paragraph No. 3, Applicants do not understand as to what the Examiner wishes to point out. Applicants therefore respectfully request the Examiner to rephrase and clarify it so a correction, if needed, can be made.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.

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Date: May 23, 2003